



The Tod Robertson Legacy Home Visiting Policy Internship

A paid summer opportunity in Washington, D.C. for a home visiting alum, parent, or home visitor to shape federal policy

This internship was created in memory of Tod Robertson, who spent thirty years working in home visiting. He began his career as a home visitor and later served as Hawaii Home Visiting Network Coordinator, Hawaii Evidence-Based Home Visiting Project Director, and an ASTHVI board member. Tod was dedicated to ensuring that every parent feels empowered and prepared, and every child grows up in a safe, nurturing, and supportive environment.

This internship is an opportunity for individuals who were served by, or have served in, home visiting to continue advancing Tod's work and the future of home visiting for families across the country.

ABOUT THE ROLE

ASTHVI is looking for a summer intern who received home visiting in their infant- or childhood, participated in home visiting as a parent, or has worked as a home visitor. Applicants should share Tod's positive attitude, be motivated and mission-driven, and have strong written and verbal communication skills, with a genuine interest in federal policy, early childhood education, and child and maternal health.

During summer 2027, ASTHVI will support state and Tribal members throughout the reauthorization of the Maternal, Infant, and Early Childhood Home Visiting (MIECHV) federal grant program, work that will make up a significant portion of the intern's duties. This is a hands-on opportunity to learn how professional associations support state and Tribal agencies in their work on behalf of families and young children.

INTERNSHIP AT A GLANCE

Duration:	10 weeks between May and August (flexible start/end dates)
Hours:	40 hours/week
Stipend:	\$7,000 total stipend for the 10-week internship
Location:	In-person in Washington, D.C.
Eligibility:	Current undergraduates or adults who are home visiting graduates, parents, and home visitors. Home visiting alumni or home visitors only.
Application Due:	February 7, 2027 with interviews in early March

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Responsibilities & Requirements

RESPONSIBILITIES MAY INCLUDE

- Drafting communications, policy papers, and responses to Federal Register notices
- Researching policy positions
- Staffing ASTHVI committees
- Preparing and designing fact sheets, backgrounders, weekly updates, and other materials
- Planning and staffing ASTHVI webinars
- Supporting Congressional briefings and meetings
- Assisting in responding to requests for information from the Administration for Children and Families, Health Resources and Services Administration, and Congressional committees/member offices

REQUIREMENTS

- Dedicated work ethic with strong interpersonal communication skills; able to work on a team and be self-motivated on individual tasks
- Family participated in a targeted, intensive home visiting program, or has worked as a home visitor (firm requirement for all applicants)
- Demonstrated interest in policy related to early childhood education, public health, public policy, political science, or a related field
- Strong written and verbal communication skills with the ability to multitask
- Able to commit to 40 hours/week for 10 consecutive weeks

ABOUT ASTHVI

The Association of State and Tribal Home Visiting Initiatives (ASTHVI) is the professional association of state and Tribal agencies implementing home visiting programs, including those funded by Maternal, Infant, and Early Childhood Home Visiting (MIECHV) grants. ASTHVI members advance the effective implementation and continuous improvement of voluntary home visiting programs that support parents and improve outcomes for families and young children, and regularly meet to disseminate best practices, exchange ideas and strategies, and advance the quality and effectiveness of home visiting initiatives.

HOW TO APPLY

Interested applicants should submit the following materials to staff@asthvi.org:

- A current resume
- A one-page statement describing your involvement with home visiting, why you are interested in this internship, and how your experiences and commitment to home visiting reflect the values embodied by Tod Robertson — and how you hope to carry his legacy forward
- A letter of reference from a home visitor, home visiting program staff member, or a professional or academic reference
- Contact information for a person at the home visiting program with which the applicant is or was affiliated with for verification of status as a home visiting alum, parent, or home visitor

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